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storage assignment deadlock prevention:

device A wants to store File A in device B and does so, upon File A being stored in device B, device B determines that device A is better suited to hold File A & sends file back to device A. The file continues to bounce back & forth between the devices.

Keywords: deadlock?  
file lock  
file thrashing

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# STIC Search Report

## EIC 2100

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### Search Notes

Dear Examiner Gogia,

Attached please find the results of your search request for application 10/623750. I searched Dialog's patent files, technical databases and general files.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Geoffrey St. Leger".

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